## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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For: ERGONOMIC CENTER HANDLE FISH TAPE

Group Art Unit: 3723

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## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office action mailed December 30, 2008, Applicant elects the invention of Group VII, which includes claims 15-17, without traverse. Applicant understands that linking claims 1 and 27 will also be examined despite not be specifically included in the elected group, and that allowance of a linking claim will obviate the restriction requirement to all linked claims.

A one-month time extension petition is enclosed herewith authorizing payment of the \$130.00 fee via Deposit Account No. 17-0055. No other fees for filing this paper are believed to be due. However, authorization is hereby given to charge any fees deemed necessary or to credit any overpayment to the noted deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

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